out the purposes of this Regulation, and the rules, when made and published in the Cochin Government Gazette, shall have the same force as the provisions of this Regulation.

(2) In particular and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, the Government may make rules providing

(a) for the appointment of Census officers and of persons to perform any of the duties of Census officers or to give assistance towards the taking of a Census and for the general instructions to be issued to such officers and persons;

(b) for the enumeration of persons employed on railways and their families, and of other classes of the population for whom it may be necessary or expedient to make special provision; and

(c) for the enumeration of persons travelling when a Census is taken."

*Clause put and passed.*

**President.**—Then the preamble and clause 1.

"Whereas it has been determined to take a Census of the Cochin State during the year 1106, and it is expedient to provide for certain matters in connection with the taking of such Census, it is hereby enacted as follows:—"

"1. (1) This Regulation may be called the Cochin Census Regulation, 1105.

(2) It shall apply to the whole of the Cochin State.

(3) It shall come into force at once."

*Preamble and clause (1) put and agreed to.*

**Mr. A. Sankara Menon.**—I beg to move that the Bill be taken up and passed to-morrow, the 1st of May 1930.

**Mr. T. K. Krishna Menon.**—I second it.

Question proposed: *"That the Bill be taken up and passed on Thursday, the 1st of May 1930."*

*Question put and agreed to.*

**Mr. C. V. Kuriyan.**—May I know, Sir, what has been decided about the adjournment motion?

**President.**—I shall consider it. I shall be able to pass orders on it only to-morrow.

*The House rose for lunch at 2' to 2 p. m. and met again at 3 p. m. with the Deputy President in the Chair.*

## Amendments to Standing Orders.

**Mr. A. Sankara Menon.**—I beg to move for leave to amend the Standing Orders.

**Dr. A. G. Menon.**—I have not received a copy of the draft amendments to the Standing Orders with the agenda.

**Mr. T. K. Krishna Menon.**—It was circulated among the Members long ago.

**Dr. A. G. Menon.**—The Member for Chalakkudi and the Member for Irinjalakkuda have not received the same.

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**Mr. T. K. Krishna Menon.**—It is only a small sheet. It was sent by Anchal long ago. It was not sent along with the agenda.

**Deputy President.**—Sub-division (5). Change the full stop after 'Council' into a comma and add 'and may consist of one or two sittings'.

Standing Order No. 2.

Sub-division (12) Change the full stop after 'prorogued' into a comma, and add 'and may consist of one or more meetings'.

Renumber the sub-divisions (a) and (b) as (1) and (2). In sub-division (a) for 'times and places of meetings' substitute 'time and place of every meeting' and for the word 'date' substitute 'time' and for 'date' in line 5 substitute 'commencement'.

Standing Order No 3.

In sub-division (b) for 'date fixed for' substitute 'commencement of', for 'session' substitute 'meeting' and omit 'legislative'; for 'brought forward at a' substitute 'transacted at that', for 'date of each session' at the end substitute 'commencement of that meeting'.

Sub-division (2). Put a semicolon after 'lapse' and omit the words 'and a fresh notice shall be given for the next session'.

Standing Order No. 4

Sub-division (3). Omit the words 'to the pending list of business'. After 'next Council' put a full stop and begin a fresh sentence with 'But' in place of 'and'.

Standing Order No. 5

Sub-division (1). Omit the words 'while in session'.

Sub-division (2). Omit the words 'since the last meeting'.

Sub-division (1). For 'session' in lines 2 and 5 substitute 'meeting'.

Standing Order No. 6.

After the word 'council' in line 4 add 'and may allot different days for the disposal of different classes of such business'.

Sub-division (2). After the word 'ballot' put a comma and add 'as prescribed in schedule I'.

Sub-division (4) In the proviso for 'session' substitute 'meeting'.

Standing Order No. 8.

For 'session' in lines 2 and 4 substitute 'meeting'.

Standing Order No. 11.

Sub-division (1). For 'meeting' substitute 'sitting'.

Number the present Standing Order as (1) and add the following:—

"(2) It is not in order for a member to ask a question based on a newspaper report."

"(3) It is not for a member to give publicity to a question of which he has given notice, unless and until it has been admitted and published in the question paper which is circulated by the Government".

Standing Order No. 13

Renumber the present Standing Order as sub-division (1) and add the following as sub-division (2):—

"(2) But the member asking for the leave must, before the commencement of the sitting at which he intends to move it, leave with the President a written statement of the matter proposed to be discussed".

Standing Order No. 15,

Change the words 'holding a meeting on any day' into 'the commencement of a sitting'.

Standing Order No 17.

Add the following after the first sentence:—"If, while a member is speaking, a member desires to make an explanation or to ask an explanation from the member speaking, he shall rise in his place, and, if called upon by the President, shall make or ask the explanation ; if not called upon, he shall resume his seat". In line 4 after 'rises' add 'or if a member rises to a point of order'.

Standing Order No. 19.

Sub-division (2). In line 3 before the word 'meeting' add 'commencement of the'.

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Sub-division (3) In the first line, between the words 'by' and 'voices' add the words 'show of hands' and put a comma after the word 'hands'.

Standing Order No. 20. Sub-division (2). After 'disallow' add 'at any time or stage'.

Standing Order No. 21. After the word 'and' in line 3 add 'when it is moved' and omit 'thereupon'.

Standing Order No. 26. For 'meeting' substitute 'sitting'.

Renumber the present Standing Order as sub-division (1) and add the following as sub-division (2).

'(2). The President may adjourn any sitting or business to any future day and hour or to any part of the same day without discussion or vote".

Standing Order No. 31. Change the marginal heading into 'Introduction and first reading'.

Sub-division (1). Add after 'Gazette' the words 'or after leave to introduce has been given'.

Sub-division (4). After the word 'charge' add 'or any other member'.

Sub-division (5). Add the following as the last sentence 'The committee shall not as a rule exceed seven in number'.

Sub-division (3). After the first sentence add the following:—'In the

Standing Order No. 33. absence of the Chairman from any meeting the members of the committee present shall elect one of them as Chairman for that meeting'.

Standing Order No. 38. For 'reconsideration,' substitute 'consideration'.

Standing Order No. 39. For 'sitting' substitute 'commencement of the meeting.'

Change the marginal heading into 'Second Reading.'

Standing Order No. 41.

Change the marginal heading into 'Third Reading and passing.'

Standing Order No. 42.

Sub-divisions (1) and (2). For 'meeting' substitute 'sitting' in both the sub-divisions.

After Standing Order No. 42 add the following as Standing Order No. 43 and renumber the rest.

"Standing Order No. 43. When any one of the three motions of introduction, taking into consideration or passing of a Bill is not carried, the Bill shall be deemed to have been rejected, and it shall not be re-introduced within a period of one year from the date of such rejection".

Sub-division (1). For 'two' substitute 'three'.

Standing Order No. 49.

After 'rules' add 'or the Standing Orders or has been withdrawn with the leave of the Council'.

Standing Order No. 54.

For Standing Orders 66 and 67 substitute the following Standing Order:—

"When a member has the leave of the Council to proceed the procedure in regard to Bills introduced shall, as far as may be, be followed with such necessary alterations as to the form of the motions that may be made as the President may direct.

" Provided that, in the event of a reference to a select committee, the Deputy President shall be the Chairman and the Government Advocate and the Secretary to the the Council (when they are members of the Council) and the member who introduced the amendment shall be members thereof, and the remaining members who shall be three in number shall be elected by the Council".

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"Schedule I.—Ballot Rules".

(1) A member giving notice of more than one resolution shall number his resolutions in the order in which he desires to move them, provided that he may alter such order by intimation given to the Secretary not less than three clear days previous to the date of ballot.

(2) The Secretary will keep a numbered list and will enter the name of each member who has given notice of a resolution upon that list.

(3) Not less than ten days previous to the commencement of the session, a ballot will be held in the Legislative Council office before the Secretary, at which any member who wishes to attend may do so.

(4) Papers with numbers corresponding to those against which entries have been made on the numbered list will be placed in a box.

(5) A clerk will take out at hazard from the box one of the papers, and the Secretary will call out from the list the corresponding name, which will then be entered on a priority list. This procedure will be carried out till all the numbers have been drawn.

(6) Priority on the list will entitle the member to priority in moving that resolution to which he himself has given priority under rule (1) of the schedule.

Provided that, if a resolution to which priority is given under rule (1) is disallowed the next resolution standing in the member's name may be moved in its place.

(7) Priority on the list shall also entitle a member to priority in respect of his subsequent resolutions, provided that, after a member has moved a resolution, he shall not move another resolution until every other member has had an opportunity of moving a resolution standing in his name in the list of business".

**Deputy President.**—Has the Member the leave of the Council?

As there is no opposition, I take it that the Member has the leave of the Council.

**Mr. A. Sankara Menon.**—I beg to move that a Select Committee consisting of Dr. A. G. Menon, Messrs. A. B. Salem, K. Ayyappan, K. P. Kannan Nayar, V. D. Ouseph and T. M. Krishna Menon in addition to the Deputy President, Government Advocate and the Council Secretary be appointed to consider the same.

**Mr. T. K. Krishna Menon.**—I beg to second it.

*Motion put and agreed to.*

**Deputy President.**—The Committee is to report within three months.

## The Cochin Kuri Bill.

**Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.**—In presenting the report of the Select Committee on the Cochin Kuries Bill, I move that the Bill, as amended by the Select Committee, be taken into consideration. What I have to say is that you will find that it is a unanimous report.

**Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—I beg to second it.

**Mr. C. J. Mathew.**—Sir, before the other amendments

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